

**Ralph Eleazar Whiteside Earl to Andrew Jackson, April 3, 1830, from Correspondence of Andrew Jackson.  
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**RALPH E. W. EARL TO JACKSON.**

Fairfield, Tenn., April 5, 1830.

*D'r Sir*, . . . . I shall this month have completed all my engagements here, and will be ready to leave this by the first steam boat that offers after the 25th. You exp[r]ess'd a desire of getting a miniature likeness of mrs Jackson from one of my late portraits of her—the only one which I would wish to send forth to the world as a correct representation of that good and pious woman is in the possession of Genl. Call. Upwards of twelve months ago I wrote to him by Col. Robert Armstrong who delivered the letter himself to Call at the City, in which I informed him it was my desire to have an engraving taken from the Portrait of Mrs Jackson then in his possession, and also to have a miniature taken from it for you. On this subject I had written to Mr Longacre and received a letter from him informing me that Genl. Call had called on him and promised immediately on his arrival in Tallahassa he would forward the portrait to him. The Genl. also sent me the same message by Col. Armstrong. On the receipt of your letter I wrote to Call, and also sent him an extract from that part of your letter in which you exp[r]ess'd a desire to have a miniature of Mrs Jackson taken from one of my late portraits of her, and requested him (if he had not already done so) soon as convenient to have it sent to Longacre of Philadelphia,<sup>1</sup> where Major Bradford has my full approbation to have any Engraving taken from it he may think proper. . . . .

1 James B. Longacre, the noted engraver.